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## SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, it is respectfully requested that this Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the document on the attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record. A copy of the listed document required by 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a)(2) is enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.97(g), (h), this Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made and is not to be construed to be an admission that the

information cited is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. 1.56(b).

This Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed prior to the receipt of the first Official Action reflecting an examination on the merits and hence is believed to be timely filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.97(b). No fees are believed to be due in connection with filing of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be deemed necessary for any reason relating to this material, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct said fees from Brinks Hofer Gilson & Lione Deposit Account No. 23-1925.

Applicant respectfully requests that the listed document be made of record in the present case.

Respectfully submitted,

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